



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Executive Office

**Meeting Date:** September 22, 2020

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**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

**Time Allocated for Item:** n/a

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of Retroactive Agreement with North Coast Opportunities in the Amount of \$500,000 for Direct Financial Services, Effective September 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020  
(Sponsor: Executive Office)

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve Retroactive Agreement with North Coast Opportunities in the amount of \$500,000 for Direct Financial Services, Effective September 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

**Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

No previous board action.

**Summary of Request:**

North Coast Opportunities (NCO) will work in close coordination with community partners to assist Mendocino County families suffering economically from the COVID-19 pandemic by providing direct financial assistance (e.g., rent payments, mortgage payments, and utility payments) and locally-sourced food boxes. Support will be coordinated through NCO's People Helping People Program. In addition, NCO will distribute mini-grants to farmers to support their ability to continue producing food during this time of economic hardship.

Direct financial assistance will be distributed through People Helping People case management process, which accepts applications for assistance and determines eligibility prior to making disbursements. Food boxes will be sourced from local farmers through the MendoLake Food Hub and distributed directly to People Helping People clients and/or to food banks or other safety net organizations. Minigrants for farmers will be distributed through the Good Farm Fund, using their established minigrant process.

This contract will provide assistance averaging approximately \$1,500 to up to 180 households, at least 500 food boxes, and approximately \$80,000 in minigrants to up to 20 local farmers.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Return to staff for alternative handling

**Supervisory District:** All

**vote requirement:** Majority

**Supplemental Information Available Online At:** n/a

**Fiscal Details:**

**source of funding:** DR-2910-862189

**current f/y cost:** \$500,000 for the term of this contract

**budgeted in current f/y:** No

**if no, please describe:** Emergency due to Covid, will be requested for reimbursement from CARES Act

**annual recurring cost:** \$500,000 for the term of this contract

**revenue agreement:** N/A

**budget clarification:** Disaster Recovery Budget Unit will cover the costs; however, the County will be requested reimbursement for this service through CARES Act

**Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel:** Yes

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**CEO Liaison:** Janelle Rau, Deputy CEO

**CEO Review:** Yes

**CEO Comments:**

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: September 23, 2020

**Note to Department** Number of Original Agreements  
Returned to Dept: 0 Original Agreement Delivered to  
Auditor? Yes

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item: **Agreement** Number: 20-137

